

INFORMATION  
OF  
SPECIAL INTEREST  
OR  
IMPORTANCE  
TO  
MARINERS

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# HYDROGRAM

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SPECIAL  
ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW PRODUCTS  
OR SERVICES

IMPORTANT  
CHANGES

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## **NOAA CHART NEW EDITIONS AND THEIR AVAILABILITY**

NOAA RECOGNIZES TWO NAUTICAL CHART PRODUCTS: CHARTS-ON-DEMAND AND TRADITIONAL NOAA/NOS PAPER CHARTS. FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, SEE SECTIONS II AND III.

## **DISCONTINUANCE OF 121.5 AND 243 MHZ FOR SATELLITE DISTRESS ALERTS TO BEGIN**

THE INTERNATIONAL COSPAS-SARSAT PROGRAM HAS ANNOUNCED PLANS TO TERMINATE SATELLITE PROCESSING OF DISTRESS SIGNALS FROM 121.5 AND 243 MHZ EMERGENCY BEACONS. SEE SECTION III.